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YUKON MONTHLY STATISTICAL REVIEW

October 2008

The most current statistics available on the state of the Yukon's economy.

1. Population

The Yukon's population as of June 2008 was **33,294**. One year previous to that, in June 2007, the population was **32,212**. The difference is an **increase of 1,082** individuals, or **3.4%**, in the Yukon's population.
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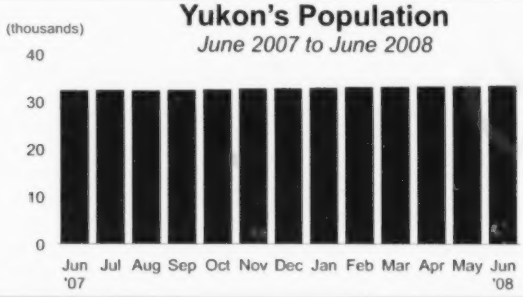
Yukon's Population
June 2007 to June 2008



2. Employment

The number of people employed in the Yukon as of October 2008 was **17,300** (seasonally adjusted). This is an increase of 300 from the September 2008 figure and an increase of 700 from the October 2007 figure.

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate in the Yukon as of October 2008 was **4.9%**. One year ago, in October 2007, the rate was **5.1%**.
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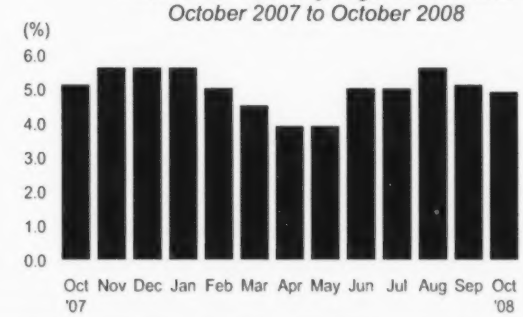
Yukon's Unemployment Rate
October 2007 to October 2008



3. Inflation

The annual rate of **inflation** in Whitehorse (figures are not available for the Yukon) was **3.6%** as of September 2008. The annual *average* inflation rate in Whitehorse for 2007 was **2.5%**.
See page 6 for more detail.

4. Rental Units

The median rent (half the rents are higher and half the rents are lower) in Whitehorse as of September 2008 was **$725**. This is an increase of $25 or 3.6% compared to September 2007. The vacancy rate for Whitehorse as of September 2008 was **2.0%**. This is 2.0 percentage points lower than in September 2007.
See page 7 for more detail.

5. Real Estate

The total value of real estate transactions in the Yukon for the second quarter of 2008 (April, May and June) was $48,643,000. This is an **increase of $12,658,800, or 35.2%**, from the second quarter of 2007 ($35,984,200).
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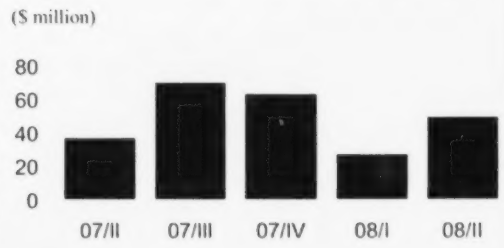
Yukon's Real Estate Transactions
Second Quarter 2007 to Second Quarter 2008



6. Construction

The value of building permits issued in the Yukon for October 2008 was **$5,667,000**. One year ago, in October 2007, the value was **$11,244,000**. This represents a decrease of $5,577,000, or 49.6%.

On a year-to-date basis, comparing January through October 2008 to the same period in 2007, the value of building permits issued in the Yukon has decreased $28,735,000, or 32.1%.

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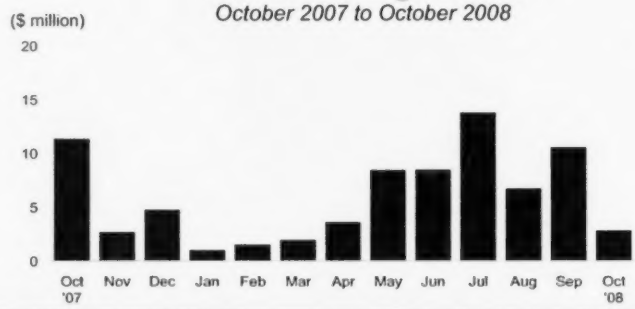
Yukon Building Permits
October 2007 to October 2008



7. Resources

The commodity price for a troy ounce of gold, in Canadian dollars, was **$886.22** as of October 31st, 2008 on the London Exchange. One year ago, the commodity price was **$746.59**. The difference is an **increase of $139.63,** or **18.7%**, in the commodity price of a troy ounce of gold.
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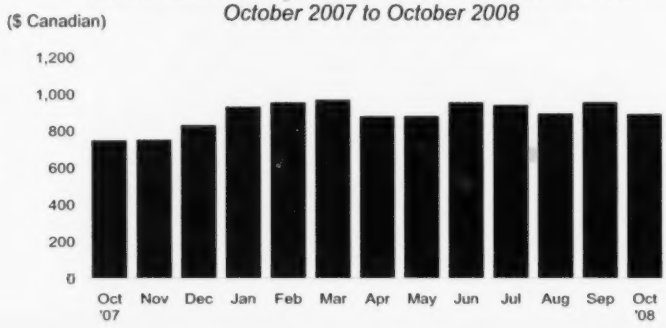
The Commodity Price of an Ounce of Gold
October 2007 to October 2008



8. Retail & Wholesale Trade

The preliminary value of retail trade in the Yukon for August 2008 was **$49,693,000**. This figure is an **increase of $1,180,000**, or **2.4%**, from the value of retail trade one year earlier, in August 2007.

Comparing the preliminary value for August 2008 with the value for August 2007, wholesale sales have **decreased by $801,000**, or **5.2%**, from **$15,322,000** to **$14,521,000**.
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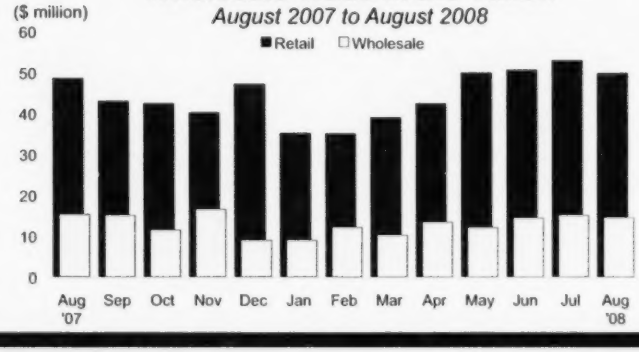
Monthly Retail and Wholesale Trade in the Yukon
August 2007 to August 2008



9. Travellers

The number of travellers entering the Yukon by land at Canada Customs points of entry in September 2008 was **48,901**. This is a **decrease of 2,407** travellers, or **4.7%**, from the September 2007 figure of **51,308**.
The number of travellers from January through September 2008 was **374,037,** compared with 396,750 for the same time period in 2007. This represents a **decrease of 22,713 people, or 5.7%**.
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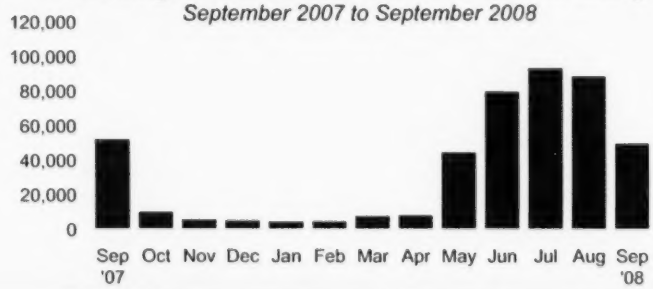
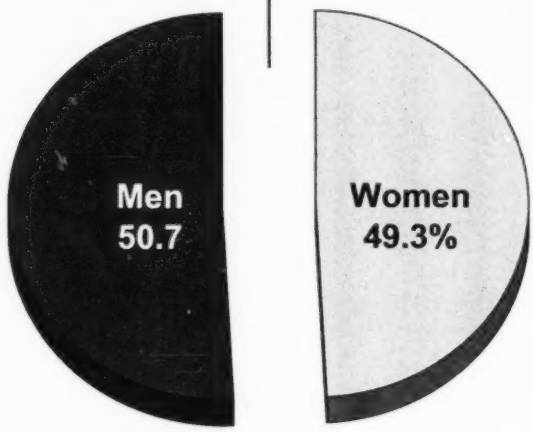
Travellers Entering the Yukon by Land Through Canada Customs Points of Entry
September 2007 to September 2008



1. Population

■ 1.1 Yukon population by age & sex

	June 2008		
	Total	Male	Female
0-4	1,862	979	883
5-9	1,831	909	922
10-14	2,004	1,027	977
15-19	2,361	1,252	1,109
20-24	2,350	1,142	1,208
25-29	2,222	1,125	1,097
30-34	2,180	993	1,187
35-39	2,472	1,191	1,281
40-44	2,650	1,297	1,353
45-49	3,246	1,593	1,653
50-54	3,101	1,578	1,523
55-59	2,541	1,349	1,192
60-64	1,865	1,061	804
65-69	1,039	591	448
70-74	681	376	305
75+	889	428	461
Total	33,294	16,891	16,403



Source: Yukon Health & Social Services and Yukon Bureau of Statistics.

■ 1.2 Yukon population by community

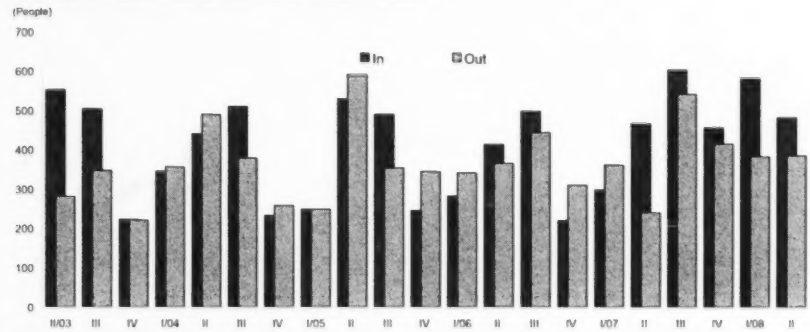
	June 2008	Dec 2007	June 2007
Beaver Creek	106	99	101
Burwash Landing	101	92	88
Carcross	431	423	437
Carmacks	453	444	426
Dawson City	1,889	1,879	1,876
Destruction Bay	49	55	56
Faro	385	372	382
Haines Junction	818	809	804
Marsh Lake	410	415	405
Mayo	460	423	388
Old Crow	248	256	271
Pelly Crossing	308	294	284
Ross River	383	349	355
Tagish	220	208	212
Teslin	449	426	428
Watson Lake	1,596	1,596	1,567
Whitehorse	24,890	24,473	24,041
Other*	98	101	91
Yukon	33,294	32,714	32,212

Source: Yukon Health and Social Services, Yukon Bureau of Statistics. *Please see table footnotes on page 12.

■ 1.3 Yukon births & deaths

	Births	Deaths
2008		
September (p)	40	13
August	32	19
July	22	13
June	22	16
May	34	21
April	23	15
March	31	20
February	28	16
January	24	9
2007		
December	24	10
November	34	13
October	26	14
September	29	16

■ 1.4 Yukon migration estimates*



Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM. *Please see table footnotes on page 12.

- **1.1** The June 2008 population of the Yukon was 33,294. Of the 33,294 people residing in the Yukon, 49.3% were females and 50.7% were males. Persons under the age of 15 accounted for 17.1% of the population, while 7.8% of the population was aged 65 or over.

- **1.2** In June of 2008, 74.8% of the Yukon's population lived in the City of Whitehorse. Between June 2007 and June 2008, the community with the largest percentage increase in population was Mayo, where the population increased by 72 people, or 18.6%. Fourteen Yukon communities showed increases in population from June 2007 to June 2008.

- **1.3** In September 2008, preliminary estimates show 11 more births (40) and 3 fewer deaths (19) compared to September 2007.

- **1.4** Migration statistics for the Yukon show that for the second quarter of 2008, the number of in-migrants was 482, compared to out-migrants at 386. For the second quarter of 2008, the Yukon experienced a net gain of 96 people.

2. Employment

■ **2.1** Comparing October 2008 with October 2007 figures, the following changes can be seen in the Yukon:

- The labour force increased by 600, or 3.4%, to 18,200.
- The number of employed Yukoners increased by 700, or 4.2%, to 17,300.
- The number of unemployed Yukoners remained the same at 900.
- The unemployment rate decreased by 0.2 percentage points to 4.9%.

■ **2.2** During October 2008, the Yukon's rate of unemployment (4.9%), was 1.3 percentage points **below** the rate for Canada (6.2%). In October 2007, Yukon's unemployment rate (5.1%) was 0.7 percentage points **lower** than the rate for Canada (5.8%).

■ **2.3** Comparing preliminary figures for June 2008 with figures for June 2007, the following changes in government employment in the Yukon have occurred:

- Total government employment increased by 271, or 4.6%.
- Federal government employment remained the same at 648.
- Territorial general government employment increased by 151, or 3.4%.
- Municipal employment increased by 114, or 22.1%.

■ 2.1 *Yukon labour force statistics (Seasonally adjusted)**

	Labour Force	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate
2008				
October	18,200	17,300	900	4.9%
September	17,800	17,000	900	5.1%
August	17,900	16,900	1,000	5.6%
July	17,900	17,000	900	5.0%
June	17,900	17,000	900	5.0%
May	17,900	17,200	700	3.9%
April	17,900	17,100	700	3.9%
March	17,900	17,200	800	4.5%
February	18,000	17,100	900	5.0%
January	17,800	16,900	1,000	5.6%
2007				
December	17,900	16,900	1,000	5.6%
November	17,800	16,800	1,000	5.6%
October	17,600	16,600	900	5.1%

Source: Statistics Canada. *Please see table footnotes on page 12.

■ 2.2 *Canadian unemployment rates (Seasonally adjusted)*

	Yukon	Canada	Nfld. & Lbdr.	PEI	NS	NB	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	BC
	(%)											
2008												
October	4.9	6.2	13.7	11.5	7.5	8.8	7.2	6.5	4.3	4.0	3.7	5.1
September	5.1	6.1	13.3	11.4	7.6	8.0	7.3	6.4	4.6	4.1	3.8	4.6
August	5.6	6.1	13.8	10.4	8.0	8.4	7.7	6.3	3.9	4.5	3.5	4.3
July	5.0	6.1	13.3	10.6	6.7	8.8	7.4	6.4	3.8	4.4	3.6	4.4
June	5.0	6.2	13.1	10.1	7.6	9.7	7.2	6.7	4.1	4.0	3.3	4.5
May	3.9	6.1	12.5	9.6	8.2	8.9	7.5	6.4	4.2	4.1	3.6	4.5
April	3.9	6.1	13.2	11.2	7.8	8.3	7.6	6.3	3.8	4.3	3.3	4.3
March	4.5	6.0	12.6	10.4	7.9	8.5	7.3	6.4	4.3	4.1	3.4	4.3
February	5.0	5.8	13.1	10.0	7.7	8.1	7.0	6.1	4.2	4.1	3.5	4.1
January	5.6	5.8	12.2	10.6	7.4	8.2	6.8	6.3	3.8	3.9	3.2	4.1
2007												
December	5.6	6.0	12.5	10.7	7.8	7.8	7.0	6.5	4.2	4.0	3.2	4.2
November	5.6	5.9	13.2	11.4	7.9	7.2	7.0	6.4	4.2	4.0	3.6	4.2
October	5.1	5.8	13.6	8.8	7.6	7.7	7.0	6.1	4.1	4.3	3.4	4.4

Source: Statistics Canada.

■ 2.3 *Government employment in the Yukon**

		Total	Federal General	Territorial General	Territorial Health & Social Services	Municipal
2008						
June	(p)	6,152	648	4,534	340	630
May	(p)	6,049	623	4,487	351	588
April	(p)	5,863	607	4,343	343	570
March		5,826	594	4,342	334	556
February		5,879	585	4,288	343	663
January		5,889	586	4,302	357	644
2007						
December		5,759	590	4,292	350	527
November		5,759	587	4,342	357	473
October		5,779	606	4,361	341	471
September		5,840	635	4,354	338	513
August		5,370	649	3,763	351	607
July		5,614	653	4,047	335	579
June		5,881	648	4,383	334	516

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM. *Please see table footnotes on page 12.

■ 2.4 *Average weekly earnings, including overtime**

		Yukon Average	Goods producing	Const.	Service producing	Trade	Transp. & Ware-housing	Accomm. & Food Services	Public Admin.
		($)							
2008									
August	(p)	901.94	1,221.09	1,093.96	854.18	629.08	896.97	623.03	1,003.76
July	(r)	897.86	1,205.31	1,080.02	852.13	608.18	926.89	608.63	1,006.05
June		897.81	1,200.69	1,071.85	856.30	607.34	910.07	592.03	1,023.48
May		884.67	1,165.25	1,021.54	847.36	619.53	920.76	505.93	1,014.12
April		905.17	1,196.86	1,043.30	869.13	595.61	901.47	504.87	1,042.63
March		900.31	1,183.09	998.50	867.05	599.78	901.16	500.01	1,039.17
February		897.40	1,185.21	991.73	862.47	578.91	900.42	522.66	1,018.48
January		894.51	1,199.61	1,042.66	856.88	565.29	899.22	504.90	1,035.37
2007									
December		902.23	1,224.23	1,086.11	851.69	568.66	855.92	515.88	1,030.16
November		905.85	1,218.14	1,073.31	855.01	588.04	872.71	510.51	1,017.83
October		908.05	1,227.19	1,076.55	852.28	594.38	916.31	511.03	1,033.65
September		890.93	1,196.53	1,083.97	838.72	572.43	941.73	520.92	1,008.65
August		874.18	1,182.38	1,075.31	819.83	570.12	916.30	484.40	1,018.52

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM. *Does not include self-employed, please see table footnotes on page 12.

■ 2.5 *Employees by selected industries**

		Total	Goods producing	Const.	Service producing	Trade	Transp. & Ware-housing	Accomm. & Food Services	Public Admin.
		(no.)							
2008									
August	(p)	19,057	2,480	1,161	16,576	2,356	1,152	2,229	6,249
July	(r)	19,467	2,521	1,144	16,946	2,377	1,181	2,195	6,130
June		19,606	2,363	1,074	17,242	2,461	1,191	2,093	5,989
May		18,453	2,166	989	16,287	2,355	1,134	1,868	5,704
April		16,968	1,866	868	15,102	2,196	1,120	1,308	5,469
March		16,921	1,781	726	15,140	2,176	1,170	1,277	5,385
February		16,774	1,816	753	14,958	2,132	1,173	1,193	5,460
January		16,697	1,833	765	14,864	2,198	1,126	1,216	5,365
2007									
December		17,191	2,332	860	14,859	2,307	1,074	1,235	5,312
November		17,432	2,441	931	14,991	2,306	1,066	1,231	5,381
October		18,258	2,716	1,025	15,542	2,366	1,101	1,658	5,377
September		18,804	2,744	1,222	16,060	2,328	1,091	1,999	5,665
August		18,915	2,836	1,276	16,079	2,392	1,095	2,203	5,831

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM. *Does not include self-employed, please see table footnotes on page 12.

■ 2.6 *Employment insurance beneficiaries, by type of benefit, unadjusted*

		Total Beneficiaries*	Regular Beneficiaries	Sickness	Maternity	Parental	Training
2008							
August	(p)	720	470	50	60	130	0
July		730	480	60	60	140	0
June	(r)	740	480	60	60	130	20
May		940	680	50	50	130	30
April		1,260	950	50	60	130	80
March		1,370	1,040	50	50	130	90
February		1,420	1,090	40	50	140	90
January		1,410	1,080	40	50	150	80
2007							
December		1,300	960	50	50	150	80
November		1,090	750	50	50	150	80
October		900	590	50	60	150	50
September		720	440	40	60	150	20
August		740	470	50	60	150	0

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM. *Please see table footnotes on page 12.

■ **2.4** Comparing preliminary figures for August 2008 with those of August 2007, the following changes in average weekly earnings can be seen:

- Average weekly wages for the Yukon increased $27.76, or 3.2%.
- Goods-producing industry wages increased $38.71, or 3.3%.
- Construction industry wages increased $18.65, or 1.7%.
- Service-producing industry wages increased $34.35, or 4.2%.
- Trade industry wages increased $58.96, or 10.3%.
- Transportation and warehousing wages decreased $19.33, or 2.1%.
- Accomodation and food services wages increased $138.63 or 28.6%.
- Public administration wages decreased $14.76, or 1.4%.

■ **2.5** The preliminary total number of employees in the Yukon in August 2008 (19,057) was 142, or 0.8% higher than the August 2007 figure of 18,915.

■ **2.6** Looking at the different types of employment insurance benefits and comparing August 2008 with August 2007, the following changes have occurred:

- Total beneficiaries decreased 20, or 2.7%.
- Regular beneficiaries remained the same at 470.
- Sickness beneficiaries remained the same at 50.
- Maternity beneficiaries remained the same as 60.
- Parental beneficiaries decreased 20, or 13.3%.
- Training beneficiaries remained the same at 0.

3. Consumer Prices

- **3.1** The Consumer Price Index measures changes in prices, or what is usually referred to as inflation. Table 3.1 shows that as of September 2008, the annual rate of inflation in Whitehorse was 3.6% (this is 0.2 percentage points higher than the national rate). A year ago, in September 2007, the inflation rate in Whitehorse was 3.4%.

  *The annual **average** inflation rate in Whitehorse for 2007 was 2.5%.*

- **3.2** According to the Consumer Price Index, overall **food** prices in Whitehorse in September 2008 decreased 0.7% when compared with the previous month. Comparing September 2007 to September 2008, overall **food** prices increased 4.7%. During this same time period, for selected food items purchased from stores, fresh fruit had the largest increase, at 14.6%.

- **3.3** The Community Spatial Price Index compares prices in Whitehorse to prices in other Yukon communities. Of all communities surveyed, April 2008, prices in Teslin were the closest to April 2008 prices in Whitehorse, with Teslin's prices being 4.4% higher than those in Whitehorse. The highest prices of the communities surveyed were found in Old Crow (69.9% higher than Whitehorse).

3.1 *Consumer price index* (2002 = 100)*

All-Items	Whitehorse		Canada	
	Index	Change from last year	Index	Change from last year
2008				
September	114.8	3.6%	115.7	3.4%
August	115.4	4.4%	115.6	3.5%
July	115.3	4.2%	115.8	3.4%
June	114.6	4.5%	115.4	3.1%
May	113.6	3.7%	114.6	2.2%
April	111.8	2.9%	113.5	1.7%
March	111.0	2.8%	112.6	1.4%
February	110.1	2.6%	112.2	1.8%
January	110.4	3.2%	111.8	2.2%
2007				
December	110.6	4.0%	112.0	2.4%
November	110.7	4.1%	111.9	2.5%
October	110.4	3.9%	111.6	2.4%
September	110.8	3.4%	111.9	2.5%

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM.

*Please see table footnotes on page 12.

3.2 *Food price index, Whitehorse (2002 = 100)*

	September 2008	August 2008	% change Aug '08 to Sep '08	September 2007	% change Sep '07 to Sep '08
ALL ITEMS	**114.8**	**115.4**	**-0.5%**	**110.8**	**3.6%**
Food	**113.0**	**113.8**	**-0.7%**	**107.9**	**4.7%**
Food purchased from stores	109.9	111.7	**-1.6%**	104.5	**5.2%**
Meat	106.1	105.8	**0.3%**	108.1	**-1.9%**
Dairy products	119.1	120.3	**-1.0%**	115.0	**3.6%**
Bakery and cereal products (excluding infant food)	120.5	121.0	**-0.4%**	108.0	**11.6%**
Fresh fruit	102.8	102.3	**0.5%**	89.7	**14.6%**
Fresh vegetables	89.6	101.4	**-11.6%**	84.5	**6.0%**
Food purchased from restaurants	120.3	118.4	**1.6%**	115.8	**3.9%**

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM.

3.3 *Community spatial price index, April 2008 (Whitehorse = 100)*

	Carmacks	Dawson City	Faro	Haines Junction	Mayo	Teslin	Watson Lake	Old Crow
Total Survey Items	**110.4**	**122.0**	**114.0**	**119.8**	**114.0**	**104.4**	**112.3**	**169.9**
Meat	107.6	104.7	..	101.9	107.0	95.2	99.5	..
Dairy/Eggs	125.2	120.7	130.0	131.0	132.2	111.3	131.9	..
Fruit/Veg.	115.9	138.4	122.9	143.4	112.1	106.3	115.9	179.9
Bread/Cereal	125.8	116.4	127.3	142.6	124.4	104.7	137.6	160.2
Other Foods	111.9	124.9	116.5	131.8	120.7	107.1	103.9	173.7
Household Operations	95.8	108.6	105.8	104.1	109.5	100.7	107.8	189.1
Health & Personal Care	122.0	175.3	..	..	..	..	122.4	..
Gasoline	106.0	121.1	..	107.5	118.1	102.9	110.6	..
Cigarettes	110.9	110.2	100.4	110.0	..	99.3	..	172.9

Source: Yukon Bureau of Statistics.
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4. Rental Units

■ 4.1 *Median rent, all units**

	Whitehorse Total	Whitehorse: Downtown	Granger	Hillcrest*	Porter Creek	Riverdale	Takhini	Watson Lake	Dawson City
					($)				
2008									
September	725	700	700	680	725	800	600	775	650
June	700	680	700	700	650	750	600	675	650
March	700	680	700	700	650	725	600	675	650
2007									
December	700	680	700	700	650	725	600	675	625
September	700	680	675	700	650	725	600	675	625

Source: Yukon Bureau of Statistics. *Please see table footnotes on page 12.

■ 4.2 *Vacancy rate, all units**

	Whitehorse Total	Whitehorse: Downtown	Granger	Hillcrest*	Porter Creek	Riverdale	Takhini	Watson Lake	Dawson City
					(%)				
2008									
September	2.0	2.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.0	5.9	2.9	0.0
June	1.9	2.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.7	3.9	0.0	0.0
March	4.1	3.5	0.0	4.2	4.3	5.6	0.0	2.9	0.0
2007									
December	2.8	2.9	0.0	5.6	4.3	2.6	0.0	11.4	0.0
September	4.0	4.0	0.0	4.2	8.7	2.7	11.8	11.4	0.0

Source: Yukon Bureau of Statistics. *Please see table footnotes on page 12.

■ 5.1 *Value of real estate transactions**

	Yukon	Whitehorse	Other
		($000)	
2008			
Q2	48,643.0	38,686.7	9,956.3
Q1	26,185.6	21,888.8	4,296.8
2007			
Q4	62,410.0	52,731.6	9,678.4
Q3	69,315.7	60,521.3	8,794.4
Q2	35,984.2	31,801.5	4,182.7

Source: Yukon Bureau of Statistics. *Please see table footnotes on page 12.

■ 5.2 *Number & value of real estate transactions in Whitehorse*

	Total*	Single Houses	Family Lots*	Mobile Homes	Condos	Duplexes	Multiple-Residential	Commercial Property	Industrial Property
Value of Real Estate Transactions					($000)				
2008									
Q2	38,686.7	28,468.2	888.6	2,540.9	1,727.5	2,768.0	x	x	x
Q1	21,888.8	14,424.3	1,069.0	1,493.0	2,680.3	940.0	x	x	777.3
2007									
Q4	52,731.6	25,811.7	2,074.3	2,119.5	6,032.4	2,050.3	0	12,833.1	1,810.2
Q3	60,521.3	35,981.6	2,487.2	2,429.4	2,159.8	2,587.5	1,350.0	12,258.0	1,267.8
Q2	31,801.5	23,932.7	625.1	2,091.2	2,118.7	1,391.5	0	0	1,642.2
Number of Real Estate Transactions					(no.)				
2008									
Q2	128	85	6	13	7	12	x	x	x
Q1	90	48	11	7	13	4	x	x	5
2007									
Q4	178	88	22	12	28	10	0	15	3
Q3	207	121	27	15	11	13	4	11	5
Q2	135	89	10	13	11	7	0	0	5

Source: Yukon Bureau of Statistics. *Please see table footnotes on page 12.
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■ **4.1** Comparing September 2008 to September 2007, median rents in Whitehorse have changed in the following ways:

- The overall median rent in Whitehorse increased $25, or 3.6%.
- Downtown, the median rent increased $20, or 2.9%.
- In Granger, the median rent increased $25, or 3.7%.
- In Porter Creek, the median rent increased $75, or 11.5%.
- In Riverdale, the median rent increased $75, or 10.3%.
- In Takhini, the median rent remained the same at $600.

■ **4.2** The overall Whitehorse vacancy rate in September 2008 (2.0%) decreased 2.0 percentage points from September 2007 and increased 0.1 percentage points from June 2008.

5. Real Estate

■ **5.1** Comparing second quarter 2008 figures with second quarter 2007 figures, real estate transactions have:

- increased $12.7 million, or 35.2%, in the Yukon;
- increased $6.9 million, or 21.7%, in Whitehorse;
- increased $5.8 million, or 138.0%, in the areas outside of Whitehorse.

■ **5.2** The average selling price for a single house in Whitehorse increased by $66,000, or 24.5%, from the second quarter of 2007 ($268,900) to the second quarter of 2008 ($334,900).

6. Construction

■ **6.1** For the Yukon, the total value of building permits issued in October 2008 ($5,667,000) was $5,577,000 or 49.6%, lower than the October 2007 figure of $11,244,000.

Note: In addition to new dwelling units, residential permits issued include renovations, garages and additions. "Total permits" does not include plumbing or stove permits issued.

■ 6.1 *Yukon building permits, number and value**

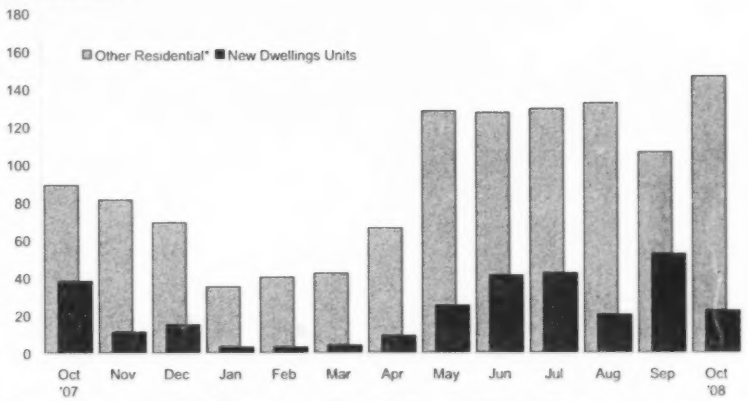
	Total		Residential		Industrial		Government/ Institutional		Commercial	
	(no.)	($000)	(no.)	($000)	(no.)	($000)	(no.)	($000)	(no.)	($000)
2008										
October	187	5,667	168	3,502	5	1,157	5	625	9	383
September	182	10,431	158	7,962	6	174	7	457	11	1,838
August	171	6,645	152	4,065	-	-	11	2,444	8	136
July	220	13,685	171	7,726	7	671	8	1,212	34	4,076
June	188	8,366	168	7,015	2	338	12	740	6	275
May	185	8,362	153	4,741	8	1,089	7	610	17	1,922
April	85	3,515	75	2,199	-	-	5	259	5	1,057
March	63	1,847	46	816	1	100	5	331	11	600
February	51	1,431	43	589	-	-	4	532	4	310
January	49	901	38	825	1	7	1	5	9	64
2007										
December	100	4,648	84	2,942	1	50	8	181	7	1,475
November	108	2,583	92	2,129	5	95	4	121	7	238
October	165	11,244	127	5,838	7	1,749	10	528	21	3,128

Source: Government of Yukon, Department of Community Services. *Please see table footnotes on page 12.

■ **6.2** Comparing total residential permits issued in October 2008 with October 2007, the following changes have occurred in the Yukon:

- The number of permits issued for new dwelling units has decreased from 38 to 22.
- Other residential permits issued (*renovations, garages and additions) increased from 89 to 146.

■ 6.2 *Yukon residential building permits*



Source: Government of Yukon, Department of Community Services.

■ **6.3** For Whitehorse, the total value of building permits issued in October 2008 ($2,735,000) was $6,584,000 or 70.7% below the October 2007 figure of 9,319,000.

Note: Permits were issued for 5 new single family residences (1 with a suite), 2 new semi-detached residences and 1 new living suite in an existing residence. An industrial permit was issued for a new repair shop on Laberge Rd., a commercial permit was issued for an addition to a storage/office building on River Ridge Lane, and a govt/institutional permit was issued for a new barracks building for the Government of Canada on Fireweed Drive.

"Total permits" does not include plumbing or wood stove permits issued.

■ 6.3 *Whitehorse building permits, number and value**

	Total		Residential		Multi-Residential		Industrial		Government/ Institutional		Commercial	
	(no.)	($000)	(no.)	($000)	(no.)	($000)	(no.)	($000)	(no.)	($000)	(no.)	($000)
2008												
October	125	2,735	113	1,911	1	20	4	208	1	240	6	356
September	99	5,860	87	2,841	4	1,360	3	34	-	-	5	1,625
August	112	2,642	104	2,077	-	-	-	-	5	534	3	32
July	142	8,558	116	3,226	4	1,480	4	618	2	100	16	3,134
June	126	4,786	119	3,496	3	315	2	338	1	417	1	221
May	106	6,024	85	2,915	1	0	7	914	3	610	10	1,584
April	52	2,667	47	1,579	1	31	-	-	-	-	4	1,057
March	47	1,407	30	535	2	5	1	100	4	217	10	550
February	43	1,158	35	464	1	3	-	-	3	382	4	310
January	22	553	13	488	-	-	1	7	-	-	8	59
2007												
December	59	2,222	51	630	-	-	1	50	1	82	6	1,460
November	76	1,686	65	1,373	-	-	5	95	-	-	6	218
October	123	9,319	89	4,413	3	9	7	1,749	3	20	21	3,128

Source: City of Whitehorse. *Please see table footnotes on page 12.

7. Resources

■ 7.1 *London metal commodity prices**

	Gold		Silver		Lead		Zinc		Copper	
	Can. $	U.S. $	Can. $	U.S. $	Can. $	U.S. $	Can. $	U.S. $	Can. $	U.S. $
	($/troy oz)				($/kg)					
2008										
October	886.22	728.50	11.29	9.28	1.7870	1.4690	1.3272	1.0910	4.8599	3.9950
September	950.73	897.00	13.74	12.96	1.9089	1.8010	1.7488	1.6500	6.8035	6.4190
August	888.86	836.50	14.62	13.76	2.0816	1.9590	1.8282	1.7205	7.9801	7.5100
July	935.44	912.00	17.93	17.48	2.2873	2.2300	1.9555	1.9065	8.4728	8.2605
June	950.10	932.75	17.98	17.65	1.7678	1.7355	1.9099	1.8750	8.9387	8.7755
May	874.40	879.50	16.75	16.85	1.9287	1.9400	1.9680	1.9795	8.0580	8.1050
April	875.99	867.75	16.63	16.47	2.7060	2.6805	2.2164	2.1955	8.7372	8.6550
March	963.40	937.25	18.49	17.99	2.8709	2.7930	2.3673	2.3030	8.7577	8.5200
February	949.43	969.00	19.22	19.62	3.3254	3.3940	2.6660	2.7210	8.3680	8.5405
January	925.78	923.75	16.78	16.74	2.7475	2.7415	2.3973	2.3920	7.1863	7.1705
2007										
December	826.55	836.50	14.58	14.76	2.5009	2.5310	2.2578	2.2850	6.5966	6.6760
November	795.39	794.75	14.24	14.23	3.0524	3.0500	2.5325	2.5305	6.9616	6.9560
October	746.59	783.00	13.65	14.32	3.5194	3.6910	2.6655	2.7955	7.4001	7.7610

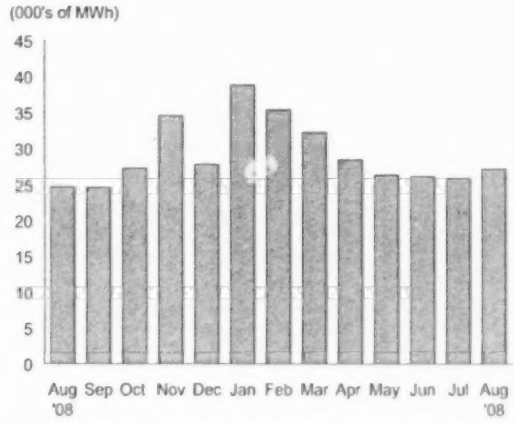
Source: London Bullion Market Association and London Metal Exchange.
Please see table footnotes on page 12.

■ 7.2 *Electricity generated, Yukon*

		Total	Hydro	Internal Combustion	Wind
		(MWh)			
2008					
August		27,052	25,450	1,583	19
July	(r)	25,801	24,138	1,592	71
June	(r)	26,069	24,392	1,637	40
May	(r)	26,298	24,236	1,887	175
April		28,359	26,489	1,870	0
March	(r)	32,178	30,138	2,015	25
February		35,331	32,992	2,339	0
January		38,799	36,825	1,974	0
2007					
December		27,761	25,101	2,660	..
November		34,506	32,423	2,083	..
October		27,221	25,392	1,829	..
September		24,591	22,801	1,790	..
August		24,657	22,860	1,797	..

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM.

■ 7.3 *Electricity generated, Yukon*



■ 7.4 *Petroleum product domestic sales, Yukon*

		Total*	Aviation Gasoline*	Motor Gasoline	Aviation Turbo Fuel	Stove Oil Kerosene	Diesel Fuel Oil	Light Fuel Oil	Lube Oils & Greases
		(cubic metres)							
2008									
July		9,310	130	2,002	1,127	206	5,644	160	41
June		8,160	172	1,842	1,440	233	4,266	186	21
May	(r)	7,531	114	1,441	963	539	4,170	244	60
April	(r)	6,605	37	1,097	1,445	1,326	2,141	499	60
March	(r)	10,151	27	1,389	1,239	1,981	4,813	671	30
February		11,645	15	1,294	1,222	3,292	4,536	1,244	40
January		9,956	13	1,353	856	3,025	3,546	1,137	26
2007									
December		8,219	7	1,200	1,027	2,376	2,577	987	44
November		7,301	47	1,197	845	1,634	2,950	604	23
October		11,390	77	1,941	1,165	2,246	5,264	637	58
September		10,831	153	2,458	1,452	1,519	4,790	384	51
August		12,423	208	2,652	1,732	392	6,927	469	40
July		11,916	256	3,241	820	181	6,695	674	48

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM. *Please see table footnotes on page 12.

- **7.1** From October 2007 to October 2008, the metal commodity prices (in Canadian funds) have changed as follows:
  - Gold increased 139.63 per troy ounce, or 18.7%.
  - Silver decreased $2.37 per troy ounce, or 17.3%.
  - Lead decreased $1.73 per kilogram, or 49.2%.
  - Zinc decreased $1.34 per kilogram, or 50.2%.
  - Copper decreased $2.54 per kilogram, or 34.3%.
- **7.2 & 7.3** Comparing August 2008 with August 2007, electricity generated in the Yukon has increased from 24,657 MWh to 27,052 MWh. This represents an increase of 2,395 MWh, or 9.7%.

* Please note that effective January 2008, wind generation is reported as a seperate category. Prior to this date, it was included in the Hydro category.

- **7.4** Comparing figures for petroleum sales (m^3) in July 2008 with sales figures for July 2007, the following changes have occurred:
  - Total petroleum product sales decreased 21.9%.
  - Aviation gasoline sales have decreased 49.2%.
  - Motor gasoline sales decreased 38.2%.
  - Aviation turbo fuel sales increased 37.4%.
  - Diesel fuel oil sales decreased 15.7%.
  - Light fuel oil sales decreased 76.3%.

8. Trade

■ **8.1** Comparing preliminary retail trade value for August 2008 to August 2007, sales have increased by $1,180,000, or 2.4%. Comparing Jan-August 2008 totals with Jan-August 2007, retail sales have increased by $26,659,000, or 8.1%.

■ **8.2** Comparing preliminary wholesale trade value for August 2008 to August 2007, sales have decreased by $801,000 or 5.2%. Comparing Jan-August 2008 totals with Jan-August 2007, wholesale sales have increased by $13,071,000, or 14.9%.

■ **8.4** Comparing figures for October 2008 with October 2007, interest rates have changed as follows:

- The bank rate has decreased 2.25 percentage points to 2.50%.
- The prime business rate has decreased 2.25 percentage points to 4.00%.
- The conventional mortgage rate (5-year) has decreased 0.24 percentage points to 7.20%.

■ **8.5 & 8.6** Total preliminary food services and drinking places receipts for July 2008 were $4,411,000. This was down $689,000, or 13.5%, compared to the July 2007 figure of $5,100,000.

On an annual basis, in 2007 receipts totalled $45,446,000. This was up $819,000, or 1.8%, compared with the 2006 annual figure of $44,627,000.

■ 8.1 *Retail sales, Yukon*

		Total Sales ($000)	Change From Same Month Last Year (%)
2008			
August	(p)	49,693	2.4
July	(r)	52,883	12.1
June		50,560	2.3
May		49,846	9.2
April		42,343	11.7
March		38,910	9.0
February		35,022	6.2
January		35,101	15.6
2007			
December		47,083	9.9
November		40,134	19.4
October		42,391	14.1
September		42,961	9.2
August		48,513	9.7

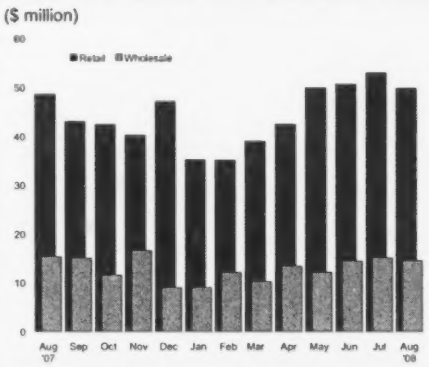
Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM.

■ 8.2 *Wholesale sales, Yukon*

		Total Sales ($000)	Change From Same Month Last Year (%)
2008			
August	(p)	14,521	-5.2
July	(r)	15,110	7.3
June		14,421	17.1
May		12,094	-2.1
April		13,453	80.1
March		10,216	-3.2
February		12,146	64.7
January		9,027	6.9
2007			
December		9,020	-0.3
November		16,594	143.5
October		11,522	16.1
September		15,074	21.5
August		15,322	16.1

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM.

■ 8.3 *Retail & wholesale, Yukon*



8.4 *Selected interest rates*

	Bank Rate*	Prime Business	5-year Mortgage
	(%)		
2008			
October	2.50	4.00	7.20
September	3.25	4.75	6.85
August	3.25	4.75	6.85
July	3.25	4.75	7.15
June	3.25	4.75	7.15
May	3.25	4.75	6.65
April	3.25	4.75	6.99
March	3.75	5.25	7.19
February	4.25	5.75	7.29
January	4.25	5.75	7.39
2007			
December	4.50	6.00	7.54
November	4.75	6.25	7.39
October	4.75	6.25	7.44

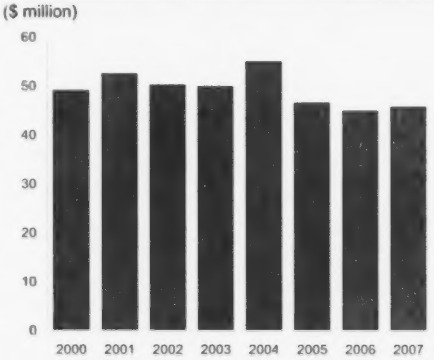
Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM.
*Please see table footnotes on page 12.

■ 8.5 *Food services and drinking places receipts, Yukon*

		($000)	% Change From Same Month Last Year
2008			
July	(p)	4,411	-13.5%
June	(r)	4,152	-11.8%
May		3,912	-8.5%
April		3,236	-11.7%
March		3,011	-30.6%
February		2,743	-3.8%
January		2,660	1.7%
2007			
December		3,174	-0.3%
November		3,007	3.4%
October		3,204	-8.7%
September		3,856	5.0%
August		4,649	-5.9%
July		5,100	1.7%

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM.
*Please see table footnotes on page 12.

■ 8.6 *Food services and drinking places receipts, Yukon*



9. Transportation

■ 9.1 *Travellers entering Yukon by land through Canada Customs**

		Total	Yukon Residents	Other Canadians	US Residents	Other Foreign Travellers
2008						
September		48,901	4,146	2,055	38,040	4,660
August	(r)	87,834	7,591	6,352	66,380	7,511
July		92,577	6,673	8,175	70,800	6,929
June		79,014	5,188	5,940	60,457	7,429
May		43,815	5,564	1,795	32,511	3,945
April		7,446	2,492	298	4,554	102
March		6,957	2,141	269	4,461	86
February		3,871	1,032	120	2,673	46
January		3,622	1,018	102	2,475	27
2007		415,188	32,630	32,140	320,819	29,599
December		4,378	1,037	184	3,141	16
November		4,790	1,141	185	3,446	18
October		9,270	2,119	552	6,444	155
September		51,308	3,309	3,659	39,765	4,575

Source: Yukon Bureau of Statistics.

*Please see table footnotes on page 12.

■ 9.2 *Aircraft movements, Yukon communities*

	Beaver Creek	Burwash Landing	Dawson City	Faro	Mayo	Old Crow	Teslin	Watson Lake	Whitehorse
	(no. of movements)								
2008									
July	13	177	1,090	172	654	165	81	606	2,797
June	37	273	957	132	533	211	88	545	3,275
May	44	70	475	204	127	70	31	364	3,662
April	8	5	208	309	45	54	14	217	2,830
March	15	14	202	137	38	149	14	149	2,192
February	9	4	133	16	26	45	2	111	1,515
January	12	2	77	20	8	36	23	98	1,350
2007									
December	24	4	97	8	11	121	10	92	1,157
November	7	6	189	13	146	50	2	98	1,929
October	34	18	203	84	687	94	..	284	1,636
September	15	54	497	302	1,033	132	..	614	2,153
August	43	79	1,173	161	1,032	96	..	943	3,239
July	50	131	1,333	101	1,258	169	..	719	3,333
	(no. of days reporting)								
2008									
July	8	25	31	27	31	30	25	31	31
June	12	30	30	23	30	29	22	30	30
May	15	22	31	26	21	25	13	31	31
April	3	4	28	27	14	23	6	30	30
March	5	3	27	17	13	24	5	30	31
February	3	2	25	6	10	17	1	21	29
January	6	1	19	7	3	18	8	22	31
2007									
December	5	3	22	4	5	24	4	29	31
November	2	3	28	6	18	21	1	23	30
October	10	5	28	16	30	25	..	29	31
September	8	16	30	30	30	27	..	30	30
August	11	17	31	26	31	29	..	31	31
July	14	19	31	26	31	31	..	31	31

Source: Statistics Canada CANSIM and Aviation Statistics Centre.

■ **9.1** The number of visitors entering the Yukon by land from January to September 2008 was 374,037 compared to 396,750 for the same time period in 2007. This represents a decrease of 22,713 travellers, or 5.7%.

Comparing September 2008 numbers with September 2007, the following changes occurred:

- The total number of travellers decreased by 2,407, or 4.7%.
- Yukon resident travellers increased by 837, or 25.3%.
- Other Canadian travellers decreased by 1,604, or 43.8%.
- U.S. travellers decreased by 1,725 or 4.3%.
- Other foreign travellers increased by 85, or 1.9%.

■ **9.2** Comparing July 2008 with July 2007, the number of aircraft movements in Whitehorse decreased by 536 flights, or 16.1%.

On an annual basis for Whitehorse, in 2007 there were 27,692 flights compared to 27,525 in 2006. This represents an increase of 167 flights, or 0.6%, in 2007.

In the other Yukon communites, comparisons between prior months or years should be used with caution because of incomplete data due to inconsistency in the number of days reporting.

Footnotes

1. Population

1.2 'Other' includes communities such as Champagne, Elsa, Johnson's Crossing, Keno City, Stewart Crossing & Swift River.

1.4 Migration estimates are based on both international and interprovincial movement into and out of the Yukon, as well as returning emigrants, temporary emigrants and non-permanent residents.

2. Employment

2.1 Yukon figures are rounded to the nearest hundred; because of this, figures may not sum to totals. All Yukon figures from the Labour Force Survey are three-month moving averages based on 92% coverage.

2.3 Territorial general government employment includes employees of all Yukon Government departments, as well as employees of the Yukon Workers' Compensation Health & Safety Board, etc.

2.3 Territorial Health & Social Services includes employees at Whitehorse General Hospital, Alexander MacDonald Lodge, Children's Receiving Home and Assessment, Detoxification Centre, group homes, Norman D. Macaulay Lodge, Northern Network of Services, Copper Ridge Place and the Thomson Centre. Yukon Liquor Corp. and Yukon Development Corp./Yukon Energy Corp. are considered to be business enterprises and therefore, employment figures are not included.

2.4 & 2.5 Unclassified employees are excluded, as well as those enterprises primarily involved in agriculture, fishing and trapping, private household services, religious organizations, and military personnel of defense services. Additional employee and earnings data for other NAICS (North American Industrial Classification System) categories are available by contacting the Yukon Bureau of Statistics.

2.6 The number of beneficiaries receiving total income benefits includes other types of benefits than those displayed, but excludes employment insurance claimants receiving employment and support measures benefits.

3. Consumer Prices

3.1 The Consumer Price Index (CPI) measures price changes over time but should not be used to compare costs between provinces and cities. As of the May 2007 CPI release, the weights of various items in the basket of goods and services used to calculate the index have been updated from 2001 to 2005. In addition, the CPI base year (the period for which the value 100 is assigned to the index) has changed from 1992 to 2002. Therefore, data from this and future publications should not be compared with previously released data.

4. Rental Units

4.1 & 4.2 The Yukon Rental Survey covers all buildings with four or more units. Rentals with less than four units (such as houses, suites and duplexes) are excluded from the survey.

4.1 & 4.2 Due to non-response of a landlord in Hillcrest since September 2007, the figures for Hillcrest 2-bedroom apartments are not a complete representation of all Hillcrest 2-bedroom apartments.

5. Real Estate

5.1 & 5.2 Rounded data may not sum to totals.

5.2 The 'Family Lots' category does not include the majority of lots purchased by contractors. For further explanation, contact the Yukon Bureau of Statistics.

6. Construction

6.1 Rounded data may not sum to totals. Permits issued in the communities are totalled on a calendar month.

6.3 Rounded data may not sum to totals. Special permits or permits for demolitions may have dollar values of zero. Whitehorse permits are reported for a thirty-day period from the sixteenth of one month to the fifteenth of the following month for which the totals are reported.

7. Resources

7.1 Canadian prices are based on the conversion of US prices using the 'noon' exchange rate at month-end by Bank of Canada. Prices of gold and silver are a.m. fix prices at month-end. Prices of lead, zinc and copper are London Metal Exchange "cash seller" prices at month-end.

7.4 'Total' includes other types of refined petroleum product sales. Domestic sales are by reporting companies, are exclusive of exports and sales to other reporting companies, and are adjusted for exports and imports by non-reporting companies.

7.4 'Aviation gasoline' includes all gasoline-type fuels for piston-type aircraft engines.

8. Trade

8.4 Bank rate figures are from the last Wednesday of the month.

9. Transportation

9.1 Not included in this table are travellers entering the Yukon from another province or territory, persons entering the Yukon by air, and persons entering the Yukon by water. Conversely, totals include Fraser BC border crossing even though there is the possibility that these persons may never physically enter the Yukon.

Symbols & Abbreviations

-	nil or zero	I	January 1 to March 31
--	too small to be expressed	II	April 1 to June 30
(p)	preliminary figures	III	July 1 to September 30
(r)	revised figures	IV	October 1 to December 31
m^3	cubic metre	x	suppressed for confidentiality
(MWh)	megawatt-hour	..	not available

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